



General Assembly

***Substitute Bill No. 1320***

*January Session, 2007*

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***AN ACT CONCERNING BIOTECH WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) Within available appropriations,  
2       the Office of Workforce Competitiveness, in consultation with the  
3       Department of Higher Education and the boards of trustees of the  
4       constituent units of the state system of higher education and the  
5       Connecticut Conference of Independent Colleges, and a representative  
6       of an economic cluster, as defined in section 32-4e of the general  
7       statutes relating to the bioscience industry, shall establish a pilot  
8       program to provide bioscience-related externship and cooperative  
9       work-study opportunities to students attending institutions of higher  
10      education in Connecticut.

11      (b) Not later than October 1, 2007, the Office of Workforce  
12      Competitiveness, in consultation with the Commissioner of Higher  
13      Education and the boards of trustees of the constituent units of the  
14      state system of higher education and the Connecticut Conference of  
15      Independent Colleges, shall establish written participation guidelines  
16      for the pilot program pursuant to this section.

17      (c) Not later than January 1, 2008, the Office of Workforce  
18      Competitiveness shall submit a status report, in accordance with the  
19      provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, on the establishment

20 and on any operation of the pilot program pursuant to this section to  
21 the Connecticut Employment and Training Commission and the joint  
22 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
23 matters relating to higher education and employment advancement.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
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**HED**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*